

# The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 366.

MONDAY, APRIL 2, 1883.

SIX DOLLARS  
PER QUARTER.

## For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

PEARLS SOAP.

FARINA'S EAU DE COLOGNE.

ATKINSON'S PERFUMERY.

GOSNELL'S CHERRY TOOTH PASTE.

DR. MERREPOINT'S NEW TOOTH

BRUSHES.

ENGLISH AND AMERICAN RAZORS.

THE NEW WIRE HAIR BRUSHES.

DRESSING AND TRAVELLING CASES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1883. [296]

## Insurances.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 120,000.00  
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 250,000.00  
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 200,553.95

TOTAL CAPITAL and  
Accumulations, 8th  
May, 1882.....Tls. 940,553.95

### DIRECTORS.

H. DE C. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.  
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### HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

### LONDON BRANCH.

Messrs. BARRING BROTHERS & Co.,  
Bankers.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent,  
68 and 69, Cornhill, E.C.

Grants on MARINE RISKS to all  
parties in the world.  
Subject to a charge of 12 per cent. for Interest  
on Shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS of the  
UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are annually dis-  
tributed among all Contributors of Business (whether  
Shareholders or not) in proportion to the  
premiums paid by them.

### RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1883. [83]

THE Undersigned have been appointed  
AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD  
of UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.  
Hongkong, 15th June, 1881.

RECORD OF AMERICAN AND FOREIGN  
SHIPPING.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.  
Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [457]

### NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

(CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.)  
This above Company is prepared to accept  
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,  
&c. Policies granted to all parts of the world  
payable at any of its Agencies.

### WOO LIN YUEN Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,  
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [106]

### GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,  
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000; EQUAL \$333,333.33  
RESERVE FUND.....\$70,858.37.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SHING, Esq. LEE YAT LAY, Esq.  
LO YOK MOON, Esq. CHU CHIK NING, Esq.

### MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at  
CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.  
Hongkong, 1st September, 1882. [601]

## Intimations.

### NOTICE.

THE OFFICES of the Undersigned have  
this day been REMOVED to the 1st Floor  
of 43, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, above Achse's  
Furniture Store.

### DENNYS & MOSSOP.

Solicitors and Notaries Public.  
Hongkong, 31st March, 1883. [246]

### NOTICE.

THE Undersigned are the Agents of the  
American Bark "JOHN WORSTER"  
and NO ADVANCES on account of the above  
Vessel to the Master or Crew will be recognized  
unless they are made with our sanction.

### RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1883. [244]

## Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION  
OF  
VALUABLE LEASEHOLD  
PROPERTY.

SITUATE AT VICTORIA, HONGKONG,  
TO BE SOLD  
TO-MORROW and WEDNESDAY,  
the 3rd and 4th of April, 1883.

MR. J. M. GUEDES, acting under instructions  
from the MORTGAGEE, will Sell on the  
respective Premises, by Public Auction, the  
following VALUABLE PIECES OF GROUND:  
Situates at Victoria, Hongkong, on the following  
days.

TO-MORROW,  
the 3rd of April, at 3 P.M.  
Lot No. 1.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 14 feet 9 inches, South 14  
feet, East 86 feet, and West 90 feet, on  
which is erected the HOUSE No. 180,  
Wellington Street. Crown Rent \$19.61.  
Lot No. 2.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 16 feet 9 inches, South 15  
feet 6 inches, East 4 feet 6 inches by  
60 feet 6 inches, and West 86 feet, on  
which is erected the HOUSE No. 178,  
Wellington Street. Crown Rent \$19.61.  
This Lot is sold subject to a right of  
way to the occupiers of the neighbouring  
Houses on Inland Lot No. 8, through over  
and upon a Lane or passage (to a height of  
10 feet) and which passage is situated at  
the South-East boundaries of the said Lot  
and is 21 feet 6 inches long by 8 feet 6  
inches broad.

On WEDNESDAY,  
the 4th of April, at 3 P.M.  
Lot No. 1.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 40 feet 7 inches, South 8 feet  
6 inches, East 37 feet 6 inches and West  
60 feet 6 inches, on which piece of Ground  
are erected the two Substantial HOUSES  
or TENEMENTS known as Nos. 172  
and 174, Wellington Street. Crown Rent  
\$12.00. The said Lot is sold subject to a  
right of way (to a height of 10 feet) to the  
occupiers of the neighbouring Houses on  
Inland Lot No. 8, through over and upon a  
Lane or passage of 8 feet 6 inches broad  
running along the whole of Western  
boundary of the said Lot.

Lot No. 2.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 14 feet 8 inches, South 14  
feet 9 inches, East 50 feet 9 inches, and  
West 37 feet 6 inches, on which is erected  
the HOUSE No. 170, Wellington Street.  
Crown Rent \$12.00.  
Lot No. 3.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 14 feet 9 inches, South 14  
feet 9 inches, East 50 feet 9 inches and  
West 50 feet 9 inches, on which is erected  
the HOUSE No. 168, Wellington Street.  
Crown Rent \$12.00.

Lot No. 4.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 14 feet 6 inches, South 14 feet  
10 inches, East 49 feet 1 inch and West  
50 feet 5 inches, on which is erected the  
HOUSE No. 166, Wellington Street. Crown  
Rent \$12.00.

Lot No. 5.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 15 feet, South 15 feet, East  
48 feet 10 inches, and West 49 feet 1 inch,  
on which is erected the HOUSE No. 164,  
Wellington Street. Crown Rent \$12.00.  
Lot No. 6.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 14 feet 10 inches, South 14  
feet 10 inches, East 48 feet 7 inches, and  
West 48 feet 10 inches, on which is erected  
the HOUSE No. 162, Wellington Street.  
Crown Rent \$12.00.

Lot No. 7.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 14 feet 10 inches, South 14  
feet 10 inches, East 48 feet 3 inches and  
West 48 feet 7 inches, on which is erected  
the HOUSE No. 160, Wellington Street.  
Crown Rent \$12.00.

Lot No. 8.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 14 feet 10 inches, South 14  
feet 10 inches, East 48 feet 3 inches, and  
West 48 feet 7 inches, on which is erected  
the HOUSE No. 158, Wellington Street.  
Crown Rent \$12.00.

Lot No. 9.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 14 feet 10 inches, South 14  
feet 10 inches, East 47 feet 9 inches, and  
West 48 feet 10 inches, on which is erected  
the HOUSE No. 156, Wellington Street. Crown  
Rent \$12.00.

Lot No. 10.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 14 feet 10 inches, South 14  
feet 10 inches, East 47 feet 9 inches, and  
West 47 feet 9 inches, on which is erected  
the HOUSE No. 154, Wellington Street.  
Crown Rent \$12.00.

Lot No. 11.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 14 feet 1 inch, South 14 feet  
8 inches, East 47 feet 2 inches, and West  
47 feet 5 inches, on which is erected the  
HOUSE No. 152, Wellington Street. Crown  
Rent \$12.00.

Lot No. 12.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 15 feet, South 15 feet 1 inch,  
East 46 feet 10 inches and West 47 feet two  
inches, on which is erected the HOUSE  
No. 150, Wellington Street. Crown Rent  
\$12.00.

Lot No. 13.—All that piece of GROUND mea-  
suring North 15 feet 8 inches, South 23  
feet 4 inches, East 46 feet 6 inches and  
West 46 feet 10 inches, on which is erected  
the HOUSE No. 148, Wellington Street.  
Crown Rent \$12.00.

The whole of the above described Lots are  
held for the residue of a term of 999 years  
commencing the 26th day of June, 1669, and  
will be sold subject to existing tenancies and  
lettings thereof.

For Further Particulars and Conditions of  
Sale, apply to

SHARP, TOLLER, & JOHNSON,  
Solicitors for the Mortgagee,  
Supreme Court House,

or to

J. M. GUEDES,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 31st March, 1883. [248]

### NOTICE.

THE GOLDEN SCISSOR,  
No. 15, POTTINGER STREET.

A. M. ROBIN  
(LATE OF T. M. LAWSON'S, CALCUTTA)

TAILOR, Shirt and Breeches Maker and  
General Outfitter. Mr. ROBIN invites  
Public Patronage and guarantees a perfect fit at  
Moderate Charges.

N.B.—Note the address.

THE GOLDEN SCISSOR,  
No. 15, Pottinger Street.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1883. [244]

## Intimations.

# JUST RECEIVED.

A CHOICE ASSORTMENT

# SHOES.

CHILDRENS' ..... FROM \$0.35 PER PAIR.

LADIES' ..... FROM \$1.00 PER PAIR.

# ROSE & CO.

31 AND 33, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1883. [379]

SAYLE & CO.'S SHOWROOMS.

# SAYLE & CO.

ARE SHOWING.

WITH A VIEW TO REDUCING OUR STOCK TO MAKE ROOM FOR NEW GOODS  
WE ARE OFFERING FOR ONE WEEK ONLY.

FANCY CHECKED DRESS MATERIALS.....@ 15c. PER YARD USUAL PRICE 25c.  
INVISIBLE CHECKED Do.....@ 15c. do. do. 25c.  
POMPADOUR DELAINES Do.....@ 20c. do. do. 30c.  
ROUGH & READY SERGES Do.....@ 20c. do. do. 30c.  
CHECKED MOHAIRS Do.....@ 30c. do. do. 45c.  
TERRA COTTA & OTHER STRIPED SATINETTES.....@ 50c. do. do. 75c.  
FANCY VELVETEENS.....@ 35c. do. do. 50c.

LADIES SHOES .....@ \$1.25 PER PAIR do. \$2.50.  
LADIES SHOES .....@ \$1.50 do. do. \$3.00.  
LADIES SHOES .....@ \$1.75 do. do. \$3.25.

N.B.—JUST OPENED A CASE OF ATKINSON'S SCENTS.

A LIBERAL DISCOUNT FOR CASH.  
SAYLE & CO.,  
VICTORIA EXCHANGE, HONGKONG. [249]

# "NOVELTY STORE."

MARINE HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD.

SELLING OFF CHEAP.

NO SUCH OPPORTUNITY EVER OFFERED BEFORE.

FOR ONE MONTH ONLY from This Date, all the BOOKS in this "STORE" including  
those which may arrive during the month, will be disposed of at Published Prices, Charging  
Extra only the actual expenses incurred, such as freight, insurance, &c., at current rate of  
exchange.

To avoid confusion, all the BOOKS selected shall not be delivered but forwarded together  
with a Memo of cost which if not approved, the BOOKS may be returned.

Also,

"KAISAR-I-HIND" CIGARETTES are now offered at 80 Cents per 100, in Handsome  
Crystallized Tin Boxes, for the above period only.

TERMS, CASH ONLY.

S. MEYERS,  
MANAGER. [28]

Hongkong, 13th March, 1883.

# W. BREWER.

HAS JUST RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING  
NEW AND IMPORTANT BOOKS.

Seeborn's Siberia in Asia.  
Ledger's The Sun and its Planets.  
Prof. Seeley's Natural Religion.  
Froude's Short Studies, 4th vol.  
Wilson's Chapters on Evolution.  
Crane's Art and Taste.  
Ruff's Guide to the Turf.  
Famous Racing Men.  
Mongredien's Wealth Creation.  
William's Science in Short Chapters.  
Turner's Studies in Russian Literature.  
Hudson's Scamper through America.

JUVENILE BOOKS IN GREAT VARIETY.  
PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS FOR CABINETS ONLY.

W. BREWER,  
QUEEN'S ROAD. [703]

Hongkong, 12th March, 1883.

## Auctions.

IN THE VICE-ADMIRALTY COURT OF  
HONGKONG.

THE MARSHAL will in virtue of a decree of  
the said Court sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 7th April Next, at Noon

The Ship "CHANDERNAGOR" of 622 Tons.

This Vessel, which has lately been thorough-  
ly repaired, has excellent accommodation for  
First-Class Passengers and her between  
Deck is well fitted for Emigrants.

She will be sold with a full complement of  
MASTS, CHAINS, SAILS, and STORES,  
and in a Condition to put to sea at once.

The Auction will take place on board the  
said Ship.

For the Inventory of, or further Particulars  
apply to the Undersigned at his Office.

T. DYER BELL,  
Marshal,  
of the Vice-Admiralty Court  
of Hongkong.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1883. [240]

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. FRIEDRICH  
HEINRICH HOHNKE to sign our  
firm from this date.

F. BLACKHEAD & Co.  
Hongkong, 12th March, 1883. [201]

### NOTICE.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

DURING my absence Mr. STEWART  
MUNN McLEISH will SIGN my Name  
For Procurement.

WM. CRUICKSHANK.  
Hongkong, 26th March, 1883. [232]

### FOR SALE.

G. H. MUMBY & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE

Quarts.....\$22 per Case.

Ports.....\$25 per Case.

Apply to  
MELCHERS & Co.  
Hongkong, 12th March, 1883. [6]

## Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL  
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

UNDER DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE.

ON

TUESDAY, the 10th April, 1883.

THE OFFICERS OF "THE BUFFS"

LADY AMATEURS

WILL PLAY

CHARLES SMITH CHELTENAM'S

COMEDY IN THREE ACTS, ENTITLED

"A LESSON IN LOVE."

ORLANDO MIDDLEMARK.....Mr. B. HOLME.  
Capt. FREEMAN.....Capt. NEWHAM DAVIS.  
HADBROOK.....Mr. H. SOMERSET.  
Mrs. SUTHERLAND.....Mrs. BERNARD.  
Miss LESLIE.....Mrs. WOODBINE.  
Miss ANASTASIA WINTER.....Mme. CHERVAU.

The String Band of the Regiment will play  
between the Acts.

The Proceeds of this Performance will be  
Divided amongst the Local Charities.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Stalls and Dress Circle.....\$2.

Pit.....\$1.

Doors open at 8.30, to commence at 9.

Tickets can be obtained at Messrs. KELLY &  
WALSH'S.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.  
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [228]

## To be Let.

### TO LET.

A TWO STOREY HOUSE (6 ROOMS)  
in Mesque Junction. The above has Gas  
and Water laid on; and immediate possession  
can be had.

For Particulars apply to

D. NOWROJEE,  
Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1882. [18]

### TO LET.

No. 4, OLD BAILEY STREET.

No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,  
lately occupied by PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY.

No. 25A, PRAYA CENTRAL.

Apply to  
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.  
Hongkong, 10th February, 1883. [7]

## Consignees.

### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND  
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

Captain F. F. ELG, having arrived from the  
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are  
herby requested to send in their Bills of Lading  
to the Undersigned for Countersignature and to  
take immediate delivery of their Goods from  
alongside.

Cargo impeding her discharge or remaining on  
board after the 4th April, will be landed and  
stored at Consignees' risk and expense, and no  
Fire Insurance will be effected.

Consignees are hereby informed, that any  
claims must be made immediately, as none will  
be entertained after the 12th April.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 30th March 1883. [243]

## Mails.

### U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVER-  
LAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING  
AT YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU, AND  
SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF TOKIO,"

will be despatched for San Francisco, via  
Yokohama and Honolulu, on SATURDAY, the  
13th April, at THREE P.M., taking Passengers  
and Freight for Japan, Honolulu, the United  
States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-  
portation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports,  
to Honolulu, San Francisco, and Atlantic and  
Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland  
Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara,  
and to ports in Mexico, Central and South  
America, by the Company's and connecting  
Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,  
France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines  
of Steamers.

RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers who  
have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Fran-  
cisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within  
six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 per  
cent. from Return Fare; if re-embarking within  
one year, an allowance of 10 per cent. will be  
made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return  
Passage Orders, available for one year, will be  
issued at a Discount of 25 per cent. from Return  
Fare. These allowances do not apply to through  
fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 5 P.M.  
on the 12th April. Parcel Packages will  
be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all  
Parcel Packages should be marked to order  
in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland  
Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices  
in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector  
of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and  
Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,  
No. 10A, Queen's Road Central.

F. E. FOSTER,  
Agent.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1883. [1]

## Shipping.

STEAMERS.

### UNION LINE.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"LORD OF THE ISLES,"

Captain Felgate, will have immediate despatch  
for the above Port.



## Intimations.

A. S. WATSON &amp; CO.

FAMILY AND DISPENSING  
CHEMISTS,  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,  
DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES,  
PERFUMERS,  
IMPORTERS AND EXPORTERS  
OF  
MANILA CIGARS,  
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,  
AND  
MANUFACTURERS  
OF  
AERATED WATERS.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,  
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

THE SHANGHAI PHARMACY,  
24, NANKIN ROAD, SHANGHAI.

BOITCA INGLESA,  
14, ESCOLTA, MANILA.

THE CANTON DISPENSARY, CANTON.

THE DISPENSARY, FOCHOW.

## NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is requested that all communications relating to Subscriptions, Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, Hongkong Telegraph" and not to the Editor.

Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writers, not necessarily for publication; but as evidence of good faith.

While the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always be open for the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

## TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in that day's issue not later than FIVE O'CLOCK as no notice to retard the early publication of the paper.

## TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Arrangements have been made to publish The Hongkong Telegraph daily at 4 P.M. Subscribers in the central districts who do not receive their copies before FIVE O'CLOCK will oblige by at once communicating with the Manager.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 2, 1883.

HONGKONG has lost another of her most prominent citizens; and we have had again brought to mind in startling fashion the solemn truth that

"All that live must die,  
Passing through nature to eternity."

We are well within the mark in stating that no public servant of this Colony in the present decade will be more universally mourned and regretted by the entire community than Mr. FRANCIS SNOWDEN, Puisne Judge of Hongkong, who died at his residence, Caine Road, at two o'clock yesterday afternoon. Although he had been ailing for a considerable time past, and looked a mere wreck of the sturdy man he was only a few short years ago, it was generally believed and universally hoped that he would recover sufficiently from what was thought to be only a temporary indisposition, to be able to return to England to recruit his wasted strength. A little more than a fortnight ago Mr. Snowden occupied his place in the Summary Jurisdiction Court, and conducted the proceedings with his customary legal acumen and with that kindly courtesy to everyone that came before him, which made him the most popular judge that ever sat on the Hongkong bench. He then appeared in fairly good health, but a few days afterwards, probably owing to over-work, a relapse set in which compelled him to take to his bed, from which it was feared he was never to leave again in life. Last week arrangements were definitely made for Mr. SNOWDEN to leave the Colony on sick leave, but the determination had been arrived at too late, and like many others who have waited and waited instead of leaving when "dangerous" symptoms made their first appearance, the learned judge, accomplished lawyer and scholar, and genial, courteous gentleman departed this life at the comparatively early age of fifty six years.

Mr. SNOWDEN was comparatively a young officer in the colonial service of the Crown. Educated at Rugby, and then at University College, Oxford, he graduated M. A. in 1854, and a few weeks afterwards was called to the English bar, and commenced to practise on the western circuit and at the Bristol, Bath and Salisbury borough sessions. After eight years' labors in this field, he was appointed counsel for the Treasury at the Salisbury sessions, and six years later, a supernumerary revising

barrister. He also acted as deputy county court judge. His first colonial appointment is dated 1871, in which year he came to the Straits Settlements as senior magistrate. In 1873 he was promoted to the position of senior puisne judge, and in the following March he came to Hongkong as the colleague of the veteran Sir JOHN SMAL. From the beginning of his connection with the colony, Mr. SNOWDEN made himself immensely popular with all classes of society. To professional abilities of a high order he added an exemplary patience that was most unflinching, the graceful courtesy of a refined and educated gentleman and the still rarer qualities of a large heart overflowing with sympathy towards his less fortunate fellow-men. No more painstaking judge ever dispensed justice, and although he seldom erred on the side of leniency, excepting in dealing with debtors, he made very few noteworthy mistakes during his judicial career. In 1878 Mr. SNOWDEN acted as chief justice during Sir JOHN SMAL's leave of absence, and when the dauntless octogenarian finally retired he again resumed that position until the arrival of Sir GEORGE PHILLIPPO in 1881. Mr. SNOWDEN was strongly recommended by Governor HENNESSY for the vacant chief justice ship, but although the Secretary of State was fully convinced of the puisne judge's merits and suitability for the post, the seniority claims of the present Chief Justice could not be set aside.

In social circles Mr. Justice SNOWDEN was deservedly popular with all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. From the petty squabbles so indissolubly associated with colonial life, and which convert every small settlement into a series of opposition camps for petty intrigues, scandal, and back-biting, as well as from the political quarrels which disturbed Hongkong during Sir JOHN POPS HENNESSY's stormy term of office, he kept himself rigidly apart. His policy was to make friends only, and he strictly adhered to the last. Of Mr. SNOWDEN it can be truthfully said—what few public men can claim—that he lived in peace and honor and left none but friends behind him.

## TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, March 30th.

LADY FLORENCE DIXIE.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department, in reply to a question, said that Lady Florence Dixie's affair rests on her own statement.

March, 31st.

ARREST OF LOUISE MICHEL.

Louise Michel has been arrested in Paris.

A DANGEROUS TRIPLE ALLIANCE.

It is understood that an understanding exists between the Italian, Austrian, and German Governments that in the event of France attacking either, the others are to assist.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

MR. F. H. SLACHEK has provisionally, and until further notice, assumed charge of the Belgian Consulate at this port.

We are requested to state that, in consequence of the lamented death of Mr. Justice Snowden, the dramatic performance, "A Lesson in Love" by the officers of the "Buffs," advertised for to-morrow evening, has been postponed till Tuesday evening, the 10th instant.

THE *Rikku Sella Shimbu* states that their Royal Highnesses, the British Princes who visited Japan in 1881, have presented a magnificent clock to the West Hongkong as a token of appreciation of the courtesy shown them by the temple authorities when they were in Kio.

HIS Excellency the Governor has, in consequence of the illness which has resulted in the death of Mr. Justice Snowden, made the following provisional appointments:—Mr. James Russell to be acting puisne judge, Dr. F. Stewart to be acting colonial treasurer and registrar general, and Captain Thomsett to be acting police magistrate.

SAMUEL RICKARD, master of the steamer *Pembroke*, appeared before Captain Thomsett this morning and charged two seamen, named Kohlers and Hoch, with refusal of duty on the passage down from Japan. The defendants were ordered to assist in making sail after leaving Nagasaki, and refused to obey orders; they came on the bridge and were insolent, and when again ordered to their work they went to the forecastle. Complainant went to the forecastle at 9 p.m., and found the defendants in bed. He had them put in irons, and Kohlers, who has hitherto been well behaved, went to his duty the following day. Hoch was kept in confinement, out of irons, till the 31st March. Complainant said he believed that Kohlers had been led away by Hoch who was a very troublesome fellow. After the Captain's statement Kohlers was discharged and went away on board his ship. Mr. Hoch denied having refused duty, and said he had a headache and could not work when ordered to assist in making sail. The chief mate stated that Hoch joined the *Pembroke* in London and had been very troublesome all the voyage. When ordered to his work he said he was sick and went to the forecastle to his bed. Mr. Hoch was discharged from custody and ordered to be discharged from his ship, and by this little arrangement the colony gains one more to the already long list of "beachcombers."

We learn that Captain Tomaso da Rosa, the new governor of Macao, left Marseilles on February 28th, and will arrive here by the next French-Mail steamer.

THE shares of the Union Insurance Society of Canton having been increased by sub-division, the share list should now read—No. of shares 2,000; value \$1,250; amount paid up \$125; Reserve fund \$423,744; Working account \$164,271; last dividend \$45.50; present market value of stock, \$700 per share. However, as all business in this stock on the Share Market is still being transacted on the old basis, we leave our quotation for the present unaltered.

THE Canton Amateur Theatrical Society will perform H. J. Byron's popular farcical comedy "Weak Woman," at the Concordia Theatre, Shamien, on the evening of Thursday next, the 5th inst. This amusing *morceau* which was originally produced at the Strand Theatre, London, some ten years ago, with Terry as *Capt. Ginger* and Harry Cox as *Tootal*, should prove a capital piece for amateurs, and we shall expect to see our Canton friends score a decided success.

A YACHT race for all craft 10 tons and under was sailed on Saturday afternoon, and produced a most interesting contest. The entries were the *Sunbeam*, *Sea Lark*, *Arrow* and *Marie*. A course was selected from abreast of the Coal Sheds, Kowloon, round the west end of Stonecutters Island, and finishing at a buoy close to the starting point. The weather was splendid for yachting, a strong breeze blowing, which afforded the competitors a fine opportunity of displaying both their sailing and seagoing qualities. A start was made punctually at 3.15, the four competitors getting under weigh in good style and leaving the mark on even terms. The race throughout was close and exciting. The *Marie* eventually passing the winning buoy at 4.18, securing the prize by four minutes and a half from the *Arrow*, the latter beating the *Sunbeam* for second place by a few feet. The *Sea Lark* got home at 4.28. From the success which has attended the first attempt to popularise this healthy pastime under conditions arranged to suit altered circumstances, we feel assured that our yachting men—and their name is legion—will quickly come to the front to support future races.

"A PUPIL of St. Joseph's College" writes:—"Banian" the anonymous correspondent of your morning contemporary has, with very questionable taste, been "going for" the team that represented this college in the tug-of-war at the Boys' Athletic Sports last Wednesday. One would think from what "Banian" says that we had committed not merely an injustice but some great crime by having our biggest boys to fight our battle against the United Schools. It is strange if "Banian" was so clever as to notice that our boys were "whiskered young men" that he did not also observe that the team of the United Schools numbered eleven against our ten; but perhaps he has forgotten the way to count accurately! I may say, to prove what value can be placed on the person's statements, that not one of the so-called "whiskered young men" has yet reached the age of 16 years—and this fact Mr. "Banian" could easily have tested had he taken the trouble to inquire. I am only a little fellow, and did not pull in the tug-of-war; I heartily wish I had as like all our boys, I think it was a great honor to belong to the team that "licked" the pick of all the other schools, notwithstanding "Banian's" assurance that "some victories are worse than defeat." Our young friends of St. Joseph's College need not disturb themselves about anything "Banian" may write as nobody takes the least notice of the weekly "hash-up" of contemptible twaddle our morning contemporary is silly enough to print. His reference to the "whiskered young men" was in the same exquisite taste that has always characterized his literary (?) productions.

ONE of the largest funeral corteges seen in Hongkong for many years followed the body of the unfortunate young midshipman of the *Audacious*, Mr. Peyton Blakeston, from the Royal Naval Hospital to the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon. Shortly after 4 o'clock the procession was formed at the Hospital, a firing party of bluejackets from the flag ship, with arms reversed, leading the way, closely followed by the band of the *Audacious* playing the "Dead March in Saul," and the band of "The Buffs." Then came the coffin, a very handsome one with massive silver fittings and a silver plate with the name, rank and age of the deceased, mounted on a gun carriage drawn by bluejackets, and covered by several floral wreaths and the Union Jack. The carriage was surrounded by the midshipmen of the *Audacious*—mess-mates of poor Blakeston—and was followed by a numerous body of naval officers, in full uniform, from all Her Majesty's ships in harbour. Amongst these we noticed Commodore Cumming, Deputy Inspector-General Gordon, M.D., Captain Tracey of the *Audacious*, Captain Brickenden of the *Thalia*, and several other commanders. Admiral WILKS, who was confined to his room through indisposition, was represented by his flag lieutenant, Mr. E. B. Levert. The military turned out in force, Major-General Sargent, C.B., attended by his aide-de-camp, Major Harrison of "The Buffs," and a good many officers of the Garrison being present. The rank and file of both military and naval services were strongly represented. There were also great numbers of civilians, including the Hon. E. Bulkeley Johnson and several of our leading residents. On reaching the cemetery the coffin was carried by a half dozen sturdy sailors to the Chapel, where the usual burial service was impressively read by the Rev. Mr. Harper, chaplain of the *Audacious*. The procession was then re-formed and the body conveyed to its last resting place on one of the higher levels of the cemetery. A number of wreaths and bouquets were placed on the coffin as it was being lowered, and the customary three volleys were fired over the grave by a firing party from the flag ship.

FOR stealing clothing, valued at \$8, on the 7th January, from a house in Wing On Lane, Chu Alin, a water cooler, was this morning sent to six months' hard labor by Mr. Wodehouse.

At the extraordinary meeting of the Shanghai Race Club held the other day for the purpose of considering a proposal to raise the scale of weights 4 lbs., Mr. H. S. Bidwell, in speaking in favor of the proposition, is reported to have said that "Prejudice had won at Hongkong carrying 12 st., and he saw no objection to raising the weights to the Hongkong standard." Our contemporary, the *Courier*, evidently misunderstood the reference to Prejudice made by the famous horseman. In Hongkong, Prejudice won two races, the Royal Hawaiian Cup and the Champion Stakes, carrying 10 st. 12 lb. in each event.

LEONG ATO, a hawker gentleman, was this morning sentenced to six months' imprisonment, by Captain Thomsett, for plunging into Victoria Harbour with other people's property. A married woman, who sports a rather conspicuous capot, whilst promenading in Queen's Road Central, yesterday, had attracted the attention of the hawker who spotted a glittering gold pin among her other head ornaments. Leong Ato was smitten with the beauty, not of the lady, but of the shining metal, and at once made up his mind to possess the gold pin, even if it were only for a short time. He got behind the lady and unceremoniously helped himself to the tempting pin and thought of making his escape to Kowloon, by walking through the water. He was, however, pulled out by a constable who found the pin on his person. Leong admitted the charge, and retired to Hayward's Hotel for the period mentioned, where he will doubtless philosophise on the folly of giving way to his covetous propensities.

We (*Hogo News*) ventured to surmise some time since that the Chinese would speedily monopolize whatever Korean trade is worth having. Our conjecture is now abundantly corroborated by a correspondent of the *Kobe Shimpo*, who has recently written to that journal from Fusan, where he is residing. He states that there has been a lamentable falling off in the business of the port, the volume of trade—both export and import—having declined about 18,000 yen in a single week. This, however, may be principally owing to so few steamers having arrived there. It is also mentioned that the Chinese are flooding Seoul with goods, principally grey shirtings, and are selling at prices much under those asked by the Japanese. This they are enabled to do because, as the *Shimpo's* informant alleges, the China Merchants' Company are charging very low freights, and he anticipates as a natural sequence a great alteration in the business carried on in Korea by the Japanese. A significant "sign of the times" is the closing up of several agencies of wealthy Osaka firms.

FROM the report published by the *Bukko Shimpo*, a translation of which appears in the *Japan Mail*, there seems no doubt, says the *Hogo News*, that the Tokio Marine Insurance Company experienced a run of ill-luck during the latter half of last year which has brought it to a very low ebb. During the period mentioned the company issued 3,134 policies representing 7,675,113 yen, upon which the premium received were 30,484 yen. There were also issued 278 policies representing \$1,077,821, the premium being \$8,786. The result of the half-year's operations is simply disastrous. Losses have swallowed up 141,300 yen, and not alone are former profits and the whole reserve fund absorbed to pay these claims, but there is still a deficiency of over 17,611 yen. As a direct consequence "the company was forced to postpone payment for a time." The heaviest claim arose in connection with the Government shipment of rice by the steamer *Gulf of Panama*, where the company suffered to the tune of \$85,610. However, the Government have arranged to accept payment of half their claim by instalments extending over three years, and as the business of the company has been expanding rapidly, there is some prospect that it will yet attain a respectable financial position. We should imagine, at the same time, that the rates of premium must be calculated too low for the risks undertaken, or else sufficient care has not been exercised. An alteration will probably be made in these particulars, and re-insurance may profitably engage the attention of the directors.

SAYS the *Japan Mail* of the 17th ult.—We learn, on apparently trustworthy authority, that Sir T. Wade's return to Peking is no longer contemplated. His resignation has been tendered, and it is said, definitely accepted. Rumour is of course busy about his successor, but as yet everything is in the region of conjecture. It is significantly stated that the embassy will be offered, in the first place, to Sir Julian Pauncefote, but we scarcely think that the latter will be willing to exchange the position of Permanent Under-Secretary in London, with a salary of £2,500 a year, for the post of Minister at Peking with a stipend of six thousand. Sir John Pops Hennessy's name is also mentioned, and it is said that his appointment has been solicited by the Chinese Government, a proceeding which would doubtless carry considerable weight. Sir John would probably succeed much better as a diplomatist than as a Governor. To be popular in the latter capacity would have to commence by adjusting his gipsy's dress and manner like human beings, whereas that very disposition might become a powerful element of success in a diplomatic career. His nomination would assuredly be hailed with acclamation by the Chinese, and might have the effect of considerably strengthening England's position in the Middle Kingdom. But if, on the other hand, the sufferings of foreigners residing in the Far East were registered, almost every vote would be cast for Sir Harry Parkes, and it must be confessed that, having regard to the restless and uncertain mood of China, it is not to be entrusted to better hands than those of the able, energetic, and resolute official whose name occupies such a prominent place in the recent history of China and Japan.

HIS Excellency Governor Sir George Bowen paid formal visits on board the French flag ship *La Victorieuse*, the American flag ship *Richmond*, and H.M.S. *Victor Emmanuel* this afternoon, receiving the usual salute (17 guns) on leaving each vessel.

WO ASAU, a coolie, was up before Mr. Wodehouse this morning on a charge of disorderly conduct and assaulting P.C. 309, and tearing his uniform at the Coffee Plantation on the 1st instant. Cheung Ayau P.C. 309, stated that yesterday at noon he was in charge of the Coffee Plantation. Some people were there worshipping when the defendant went up and interfered and a row ensued. He told defendant to go away when he got wild and tore his uniform, doing damage to the extent of \$3.50. Defendant said he went to worship at his mother's tomb. Some boys were there so he gave them some sugar cane, plucking it from the plantation. The man in charge got angry and pushed him and they had a quarrel. The constable came up and sent him away. He got annoyed because the constable did not send both away and refused to go and then he was arrested. Defendant was fined 50 cents, and ordered to pay \$3 amends to the constable. The defendant having only \$3.40 in his pocket, that amount was accepted in lieu of the whole fine.

WONG ASHUN, a farmer, was up before Captain Thomsett this morning on a charge of stealing \$39 in silver on the 1st instant, from a money-changer's stall. Yum Ho, a money changer, charged that he "bossed" an establishment in the Fok Wo Yung chemists shop, in Queen's Road Central. Yesterday at noon he was counting some silver dollars at his counter. The defendant passed his stall and made a snatch at the dollars which were lying on the counter, and ran away with 39 of them. Witness scooped after the dollar collar like a redoubt, and saw a constable stop him with the money in his possession. Police Constable 648, a Punjaube by birth, corroborated the evidence of the user and stated that his attention was called to the affair by seeing the prisoner bounding along at a 2.10 clip, with the last witness in close pursuit. He arrested the prisoner and found the \$39 on his person. The prisoner said the dollars were his own property, but as the evidence was all the other way, Captain Thomsett treated him to six months' labor.

WONG AYAU, described as a hawker, was up before Mr. Wodehouse this morning on a charge of snatching a silk turban from a gentleman's head on the 1st inst. Yum Chan Tai, an officer on board the Annamite man-of-war now lying in Hongkong, stated that yesterday about 3 p.m. while he was making some purchases in Jervois Street, he was suddenly pounced upon by a Chinaman who seized his turban and took to his heels. He called out "stop thief" and bounded along after the wily Celestial. P.C. 184 was in the turban snatcher's way, and succeeded in detaining him. Wong Ayau, in his defence, said he was not the man who snatched the officer's head wrapper, and although he was in possession of it, the fact was that while joining the general run, the actual thief had handed the article over to him. As Mr. Wodehouse was of opinion that defendant's story was a trifle thin, he sent the enterprising pedestrian to 3 months' imprisonment, with hard labour thrown in, and as an appendix ordered him to be kept in solitary confinement during the first and last two weeks of the above mentioned period.

LOUIS COMBEAU, a French seaman, was up before Mr. Wodehouse this morning on a charge of disorderly conduct and assaulting Wam Sik, a broker, on the 1st instant. Complainant said he was a broker living in No. 10 Kau Yi Alley. Yesterday at about 7 p.m., he was walking in Cochrane Street, smoking a cigar, when he was accosted by the defendant, who, after a little bit of blamey, gave him a punch in the eye, and afterwards ran into a shop and sat there. He went for a constable and gave the man in charge. He was drunk at the time. Defendant stated that he was making a cigarette in the street when he passed the complainant and touched him accidentally. Complainant turned round and used some very bad language. He told him not to use any more bad names or he would hit him. He then went into a cafe and sat down there, when complainant followed him inside challenging him to come out. He went outside and asked him what he wanted. He put himself in fighting attitude so he struck him. Crapaud was fined \$5, with option of a week's hard labor, and parted with the Medians like a hero.

We have received the programme of the *Buffs* Athletic Sports, which will be held on the Race Course on Wednesday and Thursday next. A third day's sport, in the shape of a regatta, has been arranged for Friday. The sports will commence each day at 2 p.m., a rather late hour, we think considering the length of the programme, there being no fewer than twelve events on each day. However, our military friends manage these affairs so admirably, and lose so little time in the preliminary arrangements that they will no doubt manage to finish the sports before darkness sets in. On the first day the most exciting events should prove the stangers race, 100 yards, and the all-comers tug of war, but in regard to the first named contest we may point out that the money prize will belong to amateur from competing. A race between Hazeland, Combs, Jarrett, Capt. Newington, Jackson, Chapman and one or two other repeated flyers over this favorite distance would have been a sight worth seeing, and we regret that the cup was not offered to induce these "champs" to enter. On the second day the steeplechase (which ought to have been one round of the course) and the tug of war across a ditch of water should produce some excitement. A suggestion of a correspondent that "a few prizes be added to the programme in which of attendance be to quite common, and we have frequently seen first rate racing in these important sports affairs. As our correspondent points out, the *Buffs* committee announced a pony race for the second day it is likely enough they would obtain close upon a dozen competitors, and attract a very large crowd of spectators."

PREPARATIONS for lifting the steamer *Cassio* are almost completed. The pumps and lifting gear will be fully fixed by Saturday, and by that time the tide will be favorable for raising the sunken steamer.

THE steam dredger for the Macao government, which has been constructed by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., has been tried and found to work most satisfactorily. The dredger is capable of raising 500 tons per day.

THE steamer *Exmire* went round to the Aberdeen Dock to-day. The *Francisco Reyes* undocked from the Cosmopolitan Dock on Saturday. The *Alden Bessy* will undock from the Cosmopolitan Dock to-morrow, and the *Magpie* will take her place.

WILLIAM MCMASTER, of Scotland, seaman, was up before Mr. Wodehouse for being drunk and disorderly on the 1st instant. Charles Hadden, P.C. 92, said he was on duty in Upper Lascar Row last night about 8 o'clock and found the defendant drunk and disorderly. He was cursing and swearing and making a great noise. He arrested him when he was very violent and unwilling to be "run in." The "tar" admitted the charge and was fined one dollar with the option of two days' imprisonment. He went to the "Retreat."

## THE HARBOUR MASTER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

Captain Thomsett's annual report, of which the following is a copy, is published in the *Government Gazette* of Saturday last.

Harbour Department, Hongkong, 28th March, 1883.

SIR,—I HAVE the honour to forward the annual returns of this department for the year ending the 31st December, 1882.

1.—The year, 1882, under review shows a general increase in the trade of the colony. The total of all arrivals is 28,688 vessels measuring 4,976,233 tons, the increase being 1,115 vessels measuring 443,922 tons.

2.—Of the arrivals, 19,116 per cent of the tonnage is in vessels propelled by steam, and 4,56 per cent in European sailing vessels, the remaining 3,928 per cent being due to junks.

3.—The proportions of the whole tonnage under various nationalities are as follows:—American, 1.80 per cent; British, 47.52 per cent; Chinese steamers, 2.44 per cent; Chinese junks, 39.28 per cent; French, 3.49 per cent; German, 5.22 per cent; and others, 3.25 per cent.

4.—The trade in 3,054 steam vessels, amounting to 2,043,867 tons, is divided in the following proportions:—American, 0.84 per cent; Austrian, 0.68 per cent; British, 78.62 per cent; Chinese, 1.42 per cent; Danish, 1.10 per cent; Dutch, 0.61 per cent; French, 5.58 per cent; German, 5.93 per cent; Japanese, 1.10 per cent; and others, 1.26 per cent.

5.—The tonnage in steam vessels has increased 13.25 per cent on last year's return, and the tonnage of European sailing vessels has decreased 10.57 per cent.

6.—There is a slight decrease in the trade with the Australian Colonies and Great Britain, but an increase in the trade with the East Indies and Formosa. Cutchin, China, Continental Europe, Japan, Java, Philippines, India, the Gulf of Tonquin, and the United States of America. British North Borneo is included in the columns of these returns for the first time with an entry and clearance of 3 vessels and 1,066 tons. Island of Hainan and ports in the Gulf of Tonquin have not been opened long, but there is a present trade between those ports and Hongkong of 176 vessels and 73,708 tons.

7.—I have again to report an increase in this heading. 38 vessels, measuring 125,365 tons arrived from the coast of China and Formosa in 1882 in excess of those entered in the previous year.

8.—The trade with Macao alone, in junks, shows an increase of 1,401 tons.

9.—16 fewer junk licences and 169 fewer fishing licences were issued during the year, but there was an increase of 85 anchorage passes.

10.—3,239 more emigrants left Hongkong in 1882 than in the previous year, an excess of 5,470 going to Portland, Oregon, and 5,694 proceeding to California. A tug-boat was sent for those two places in the first half of the year in consequence of the laws prohibiting the immigration of Chinese labourers into the United States coming into force on the 4th August, 1882. The last ship left for San Francisco on the 4th July, carrying 1,182 passengers. There is an increase of 5,956 Chinese to Victoria, Vancouver's Island, 7,467 left for the latter port for the purpose of constructing the projected railroad from New Westminster to British Columbia through the Dominion of Canada.

11.—There is a decrease of 6,301 emigrants to Bangkok, and of 2,658 to the Australian Colonies. Emigration to the Straits Settlements is nearly the same, 36,450 left in 1882, and 36,545 in 1881.

12.—Seven vessels were newly registered, and fourteen vessels were struck off the Register.

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